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CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING MAY 14, 2000

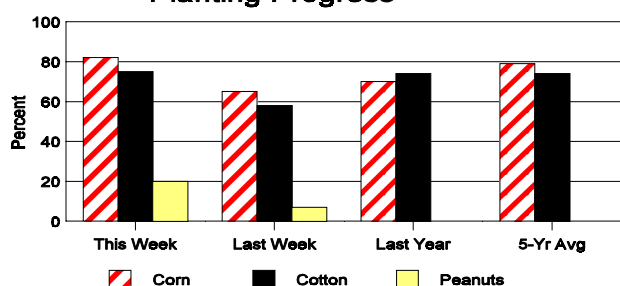
NEW MEXICO: There were 6.5 days suitable for field work. Topsoil moisture was 56% very short, 29% short, 15% adequate and 0% surplus. High winds were reported throughout the State during the week with crops receiving light to severe damage. Land preparation, spring planting and irrigating were the main farm activities during the week. The chile, lettuce and onion crops were all reported in mostly fair to excellent condition. Both irrigated and dryland wheat conditions deteriorated as the dry weather and high winds prevailed in the major producing areas. Alfalfa was in mostly fair to good condition with the first cutting progressing. Apples are reported to have an average fruit set and pecans an average nut set this year. Ranchers were busy branding calves, culling cattle and supplemental feeding. Both cattle and sheep conditions declined again during the week with higher percentages falling in the very poor and poor ranges. Pasture and range feed conditions continued to deteriorate and were reported as 26% very poor, 27% poor, 37% fair, 10% good and 0% excellent.

CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS

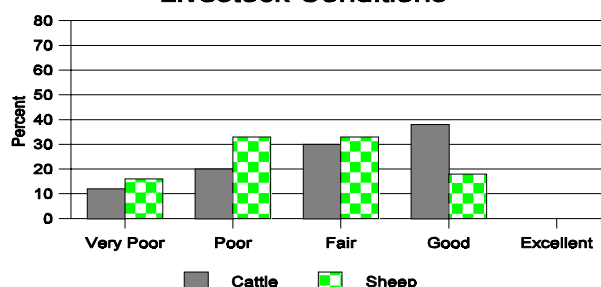
CROP PROGRESS		This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
PLANTED	Corn	82	65	70	79
	Cotton	75	58	74	74
	Peanuts	20	7	^{1/}	^{1/}
HEADED	Wheat (Total)	87	53	77	71
HARVESTED	Lettuce	85	60	59	56

^{1/} Not Available.

Planting Progress



Livestock Conditions

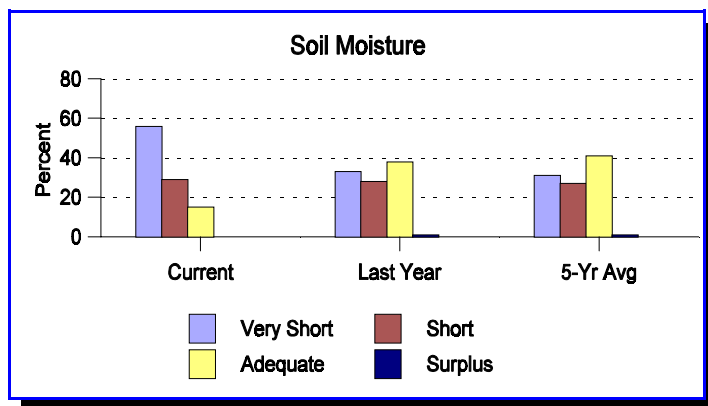


CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	2	9	42	35	12
Apples	2	2	78	16	2
Chile	--	3	21	60	16
Corn	--	--	44	44	12
Cotton	--	2	50	30	18
Lettuce	--	--	20	20	60
Onions	--	--	22	45	33
Pecans	1	1	20	58	20
Wheat (Total)	27	27	29	17	--
Cattle	12	20	30	38	--
Sheep	16	33	33	18	--

SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	35	52	13	---
Northeast	54	35	11	---
Southwest	76	10	14	---
Southeast	61	14	25	---
State	56	29	15	---
State-Last Year	33	28	38	1
State-5-Yr Avg.	31	27	41	1



WEATHER SUMMARY

Spotty precipitation occurred Monday and Monday night across the far north with the remainder of the week remaining dry. A strong low aloft mid week passing by to our north generated very strong winds and allowed cooler air into northern and eastern New Mexico.

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS MAY 8-14, 2000

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	05/08 05/14	05/01 05/14	Normal May	01/01 05/14	Normal Jan-May
Carlsbad	77.6	102	54	0.00	0.00	1.16	0.31	2.65
Hobbs	74.4	100	46	0.00	0.00	2.00	1.65	4.23
Roswell	72.6	104	49	0.00	0.00	1.04	0.83	2.64
Clayton	61.0	93	33	0.05	0.06	1.99	2.04	4.03
Clovis	67.9	95	41	0.00	0.00	1.87	2.08	4.17
Roy	57.7	80	40	0.00	0.00	1.84	2.40	3.98
Tucumcari	69.9	99	50	0.00	0.03	1.49	2.19	3.49
Chama	49.1	76	23	0.14	0.23	1.11	6.64	7.72
Johnson Ranch	54.3	85	20	0.00	0.00	0.62	3.97	3.09
Capulin	53.2	81	25	0.07	0.09	2.30	4.05	5.16
Las Vegas	61.2	83	33	0.00	0.00	1.68	1.72	3.84
Los Alamos	---	---	---	0.00	0.00	1.17	2.17	5.05
Raton	56.4	85	31	0.12	0.12	2.27	3.52	5.17
Santa Fe	59.8	86	29	0.00	0.04	1.22	1.48	4.09
Red River	49.3	72	26	0.17	0.17	1.77	8.21	7.52
Farmington	59.6	88	33	T	0.00	0.67	2.99	3.15
Gallup	56.5	83	22	0.00	0.00	0.51	2.33	3.74
Grants	57.1	84	20	0.00	0.00	0.53	2.24	2.48
Silver City	65.6	86	41	0.00	0.00	0.30	0.53	4.20
Quemado	54.7	84	19	0.00	0.00	0.43	2.66	2.49
Albuquerque	67.9	93	45	0.00	0.00	0.50	1.87	2.46
Carrizozo	67.8	91	41	0.00	0.00	0.62	1.46	2.72
Gran Quivera	65.2	88	36	0.00	0.00	0.82	1.90	3.70
Moriarty	61.5	91	29	0.00	0.00	0.97	2.27	3.07
Ruidoso	62.9	83	33	0.00	0.15	0.87	1.25	5.11
Socorro	67.3	95	34	0.00	0.00	0.52	2.19	1.93
Alamogordo	73.6	95	43	0.00	0.00	0.45	0.63	2.38
Animas	74.5	96	50	0.00	0.00	0.18	0.46	2.04
Deming	74.4	95	55	0.00	0.00	0.19	0.79	1.73
T or C	72.0	99	50	0.00	0.00	0.49	1.51	1.89
Las Cruces	74.7	96	51	0.00	0.00	0.29	0.21	1.55

(T) Trace (-) No Report (*) Correction

All reports based on preliminary data. Precipitation data corrected monthly from official observation forms.

WINTER WHEAT

UNITED STATES: Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.65 billion bushels, down 3 percent from 1999. Based on May 1 conditions, the U.S. yield is forecast at 47.5 bushels per acre, 0.3 less than last year's record. If realized, this would be the second highest yield on record. Harvested grain acreage for 2000 is forecast at 34.7 million acres, down 2 percent from 1999. If realized, this will be the smallest winter wheat area since 1971. Soft Red Winter (SRW) acreage is virtually unchanged from last year.

Winter Wheat: Harvested Acres, Yield, Production, Selected States and U.S., 1999, Indicated 2000

State	Area Harvested		Yield		Production	
	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000
	-----1,000 Acres-----		-----Bushels-----		-----1,000 Bushels-----	
AR	920	1,080	56.0	55.0	51,520	59,400
CO	2,400	2,350	43.0	42.0	103,200	98,700
KS	9,200	9,200	47.0	44.0	432,400	404,800
MO	920	920	48.0	48.0	44,160	44,160
MT	970	1,430	38.0	36.0	36,860	51,480
NE	1,800	1,750	45.0	43.0	86,400	75,250
OH	1,030	1,005	70.0	72.0	72,100	72,360
OK	4,300	4,100	35.0	38.0	150,500	155,800
SD	1,260	1,280	47.0	44.0	59,220	56,320
TX	3,400	2,200	36.0	32.0	122,400	70,400
WA	1,670	1,750	58.0	67.0	96,860	117,250
WY	185	175	33.0	31.0	6,105	5,425
All Other States	7,517	7,469	58.3	58.6	438,264	437,460
U.S.	35,572	34,709	47.8	47.5	1,699,989	1,648,805

HAY STOCKS

U.S. stocks of all hay on farms totaled 28.8 million tons on May 1, 2000, up 16 percent from May 1 of the previous year. This is the highest May stocks since 1987. Disappearance of hay from December 1, 1999 - May 1, 2000, totaled 80.1 million tons, 8 percent lower than the 1998-99 crop disappearance of 87.2 million tons for the same period. Hay stocks on May 1, 2000 were higher compared to last year in 20 of the 48 estimating States.

Hay: Stocks on Farms, Selected States and U.S., December 1 and May 1, 1997-2000

State	December 1			May 1		
	1997	1998	1999	1998	1999	2000
	-----1,000 Tons-----					
AZ	171	177	184	34	28	27
CA	1,598	3,246	2,285	420	428	381
CO	2,133	2,807	2,900	616	966	690
KS	5,609	6,500	5,800	889	1,525	1,400
MO	6,239	6,933	5,997	881	1,387	1,445
MT	5,042	4,568	4,448	1,151	1,104	1,011
NV	708	857	867	151	233	290
NM	479	450	595	165	170	185
ND	4,069	4,064	5,291	744	545	1,430
OK	4,444	3,042	4,200	919	507	1,000
SD	7,888	9,500	9,500	2,031	2,000	3,100
TX	8,764	5,496	6,568	2,191	1,450	2,627
WA	1,295	1,663	1,377	308	410	165
WY	2,129	2,372	2,480	363	611	725
All Other States	52,476	60,391	56,390	10,964	13,453	14,341
U.S.	103,044	112,066	108,882	21,827	24,817	28,817

ANNUAL COTTON GINNINGS

NEW MEXICO: A total of 118,900 running bales of cotton were produced in New Mexico during the 1999 season. This was 33 percent greater than produced a year earlier. Of the total, 10,600 were American-Pima and 108,300 were Upland. A total of 59,600 bales (equivalent 480-pound bales) were ginned in the State in 1999, 15 percent less than during the 1998 season.

Cotton Ginnings: Running Bales Produced and Equivalent 480-Pound Bales, Ginned, by Type, State, and U.S., Crop Years 1998-1999

Type and State	Running Bales Produced		Equivalent 480-Lb Bales Ginned	
	1998	1999	1998	1999
All Cotton				
AL	535,950	601,000	555,000	644,700
AZ	616,800	715,400	618,150	712,350
AR	1,189,550	1,399,100	1,191,650	1,410,300
CA	1,450,400	2,107,900	1,515,200	2,202,550
FL	78,100	109,900	^{1/}	^{1/}
GA	1,494,350	1,520,300	1,564,150	1,570,700
KS	13,950	21,650	^{1/}	^{1/}
LA	627,800	887,600	665,650	932,350
MS	1,409,400	1,694,050	1,435,050	1,716,800
MO	344,250	471,050	343,150	457,950
NM	89,150	118,900	70,500	59,600
NC	993,800	791,000	1,039,000	828,150
OK	136,150	139,350	142,300	143,000
SC	341,600	273,800	342,200	271,750
TN	532,450	577,500	543,400	590,450
TX	3,536,850	4,958,600	3,672,700	5,160,600
VA	143,400	140,950	135,400	135,700
U.S.	13,533,950	16,528,050	13,912,250	16,966,200

^{1/}Not published to avoid disclosing individual gins, but included in the U.S. totals.